

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 452

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Nabil Abdurehman of Cordova High School, upon being named *The Commercial Appeal's* 2006-2007 First Tennessee Academic All-Star in Mathematics.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to salute those young citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nabil Abdurehman, an esteemed student at Cordova High School, has been duly recognized as *The Commercial Appeal's* 2006-2007 First Tennessee Academic All-Star in the subject area of Mathematics; and

WHEREAS, in its inaugural year, *The Commercial Appeal's* First Tennessee Academic All-Stars program spotlights standout students in the newspaper and honors them for their dedication to academics, school leadership, and community service; and

WHEREAS, since the all-star program's September inception, principals from fifty Memphis area schools have nominated nearly 600 exceptional students for it; from those 600 students, ten were chosen to the all-star program, each of whom having excelled in a particular subject area; and

WHEREAS, Nabil Abdurehman has maintained a stellar 5.6 weighted grade point average while participating in a variety of both athletic and academic extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, he has lent his considerable talents to the American Math Competition, Physics Olympiad, Rocket City Math League, and Log 1; and

WHEREAS, displaying a leadership acumen, Mr. Abdurehman is a founding member of Cordova's Math Competition Team, aiding in the planning and fundraising for a trip to the

Harvard-MIT Math Tournament in Boston; he and his teammates raised about \$7,000 for the trip and placed 41st in a field of 110 teams from the United States and Canada; and

WHEREAS, Nabil Abdurehman is a tenacious and self-directed student; he has studied BC Calculus on his own, is learning Linear Algebra, and has taken a Calculus III class at the University of Memphis; a National Merit and National Achievement Semifinalist, Mr. Abdurehman scored a thirty-three on the ACT, receiving an astounding top score of thirty-six in the mathematics category his first try; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depends, in great measure, on the dedication of young people like Mr. Nabil Abdurehman who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

WHEREAS, Nabil Abdurehman is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Nabil Abdurehman, of Cordova High School, upon his selection as *The Commercial Appeal's* 2006-2007 First Tennessee Academic All-Star in the subject area of Mathematics, recognize his outstanding record of volunteerism, leadership, academic prowess, and community spirit, and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success in all of his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.